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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

The specification is changed as follows:

Please replace the first full paragraph on page 31 with the following:

Since the internal electrodes 32 and 33 are used to apply an electric field to a corresponding piezoelectric member 31, the length of a portion of the corresponding piezoelectric member 31 to which an electric field is applied varies, depending on the lengths of the internal electrodes 32 and 33 in the longitudinal direction of the vibrator. In view of this, at least one <u>pair of internal</u> electrodes 32 and 33 located away from the fixing plate 22 with respect to the center line CL in the lamination direction can be shorter than the other <u>pairs of internal</u> electrodes 32 and 33 to produce the bending moment MB acting on the drive vibrator 29. This is because the piezoelectric member(s) 31 corresponding to the short <u>pair of internal</u> electrodes 32, 33 has an electric field applied portion shorter than electric filed applied portions of the other piezoelectric members 31, and thus the corresponding piezoelectric member(s) 31 is less likely to be contracted accordingly. Therefore, with this arrangement, the bending moment MA can also be canceled out.